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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed on September 11, 2002 (Paper No. 10), setting a three-month term for response, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

In the Specification:

Please cancel the title, and replace it with the following new title: -PRO229 polypeptides.--

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 106, line 1 with the following new paragraph:

--The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO229. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO229 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail

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